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Remarks

Responsive to the office action mailed on April 29, 2005, Applicant notes with appreciation the allowance of claims 1-8 and 12-16, and also the allowability of claim 10 if rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim (that is claim 9). Accordingly, Applicant has also amended claim 9 to include the language of claim 10, thereby essentially rewriting claim 10 to include all of the limitations of the base claim 9. Claim 10 has therefore been cancelled.

The examiner indicates that claim 11 is anticipated in view of Fink. However, claim 11 depends on claim 10 (now cancelled) that is allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of base claim 9. Accordingly, applicants respectfully contend that claim 11, as now amended to depend on amended claim 9, is now in condition for allowance.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, the Applicant respectfully submits that all rejections of record have been overcome. The Applicant respectfully requests favorable reconsideration, allowance of the remaining claims 9 and 10 as amended, and passage of the present application to issue.

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